

ON THE 21ST

THE IOWA FIELD TRIP TO SUNKY CREEK MARSH IN
LACONE COUNTY PRODUCED LECONTE'S AND NELSON'S
SHARP-TAILED SPARROW, PILEATED FALCON, HERON,
AND NORTHERN SHARPER, BUT NO YECOWARD.

AT AMES BLACK THROATED BLUE AND CAPE
MAY WARBLERS WERE ~~SPOTTED~~ SEEN AT
BROOKSIDE PARK.

(3) IN NEWS RECEIVED THE 16TH IN THE CENTRAL
GREENE COUNTY, A YELLOW RAIL WAS FLUSHED
300 YARDS WEST OF THE PARKING LOT AT SNAKE CREEK
MARSH, WHICH IS 2 MILES NORTHWEST OF RIPPEY
ON THE 14TH.
LECONT'S SPARROWS WERE ALSO PRESENT THERE.
IN THE SOUTHWEST IN DES MOINES COUNTY, A MALE BLACK
THROATED BLUE WARBLER WAS SPOTTED ALONG THE ENTRANCE
ROAD TO STARR'S CAVE PRESERVE NORTH OF BURLINGTON
ON THE 15TH. IN

ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21
(1) THE JOU FIELD TRIP TO SNAKE CREEK MARSH
WILL ASSEMBLE AT THE SUPER 8 MOTEL, ALONG
HIGHWAY 141 AT THE EAST EDGE OF PEARY
AT 7 AM.

(2) ON THE 19TH IN THE CENTRAL IN GREENE COUNTY,
A YELLOW RAIL WAS SEEN ABOUT 300 YARDS NORTH
OF THE PARKING LOT AT SNAKE CREEK MARSH,
2 MILES NE OF RIPPEY
AND LECONT'S AND SNOW-TAILED SPARROWS
WERE ALSO PRESENT. A YELLOW RAIL HAD ALSO
BEEN REPORTED AT SNAKE CREEK, 300 YARDS WEST OF THE PARKING
LOT, ON THE 14TH.

(1) ON THE 20TH, IN THE SOUTHWEST, IN JOU CITY
A FEMALE BLACK THROATED BLUE WARBLER WAS AT HILL
HILL PARK ON THE TRAIL BETWEEN THE TRIANGLE
AND SOUTH CANYON AND IN DES MOINES COUNTY
2 SANDERLINGS AND AN OSPREY WERE AT CASEY
BRANCH PUBLIC LANDS ON THE MISSISSIPPI
10 MILES NORTH OF BURLINGTON

IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 for 9/16/96

BIRDS MENTIONED:

Greater Prairie Chicken
Smith's Longspur
Red Phalarope
California Gull
Mountain Plover
Fish Crow
Snowy Egret
Little Blue Heron
Ibis (sp.)
Red-necked Phalarope
Great Egret
Cattle Egret
Black-crowned Night Heron
Yellow-crowned Night Heron
American White Pelican
Ringed Turtle Dove (Exotic)
American Avocet
Red-shouldered Hawk
Canada Warbler
Winter Wren
Ruddy Turnstone

~~To skip the recording and leave a message, press the star at any time.~~ We have had no new information from the northwest about the GREATER PRAIRIE CHICKENS, and SMITH'S LONGSPUR at Five Ridges Prairie in Plymouth County, the RED PHALAROPE and RED-NECKED PHALAROPES at Union Slough NWR in Kossuth County, the CALIFOPRNIA GULL in Dickinson County, or the possible MOUNTAIN PLOVER in Osceola County, all reported on the 6th. Nor have we heard anything new from the southwest about possible FISH CROWS at Lake Manawa in Pottawattamie County, reported on the 5th. The week's highlights are SNOWY EGRET, LITTLE BLUE HERON, and IBIS (Sp.) in the southwest, and RED-NECKED PHALAROPE in the central and northwest.

In the southwest in Fremont County, on the evenings of the 11th and 9th, among the birds that were seen coming in to roost at the Waubonsie Wildlife Area east of Nebraska City, were 275 GREAT EGRETS, 600-700 CATTLE EGRETS, 3 SNOWY EGRETS, 25 BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERONS, a YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT HERON, LITTLE BLUE HERONS, an IBIS (Sp.), and 700 WHITE PELICANS.

In the central in Jasper County, a RED-NECKED PHALAROPE was spotted at the north end of Rock Creek Lake on the 12th, and at Prairie City, the dove at Joan Van Gorp's house is definitely a RINGED TURTLE DOVE, and NOT a EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE, a species which is rapidly expanding its range north and west from Florida, with recent sightings in Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Pennsylvania. It probably won't be too long before it is found in the state. If you would like to see the RINGED TURTLE DOVE, you can call Joan at (515)994-2918. In Polk County, an AMERICAN AVOCET was at the beach of the Sandpiper Recreation

Area of the Saylorville Reservoir on the 10th. In Marshall County, the hawk watch at Grammer Grove Park has observed 11 species of raptors since the 10th, including RED-SHOULDERED HAWK. On the 14th at Grammer Grove, there were 14 WARBLER species, with CANADA, as well as a WINTER WREN.

In the northwest in Dickinson County, a RED-NECKED PHALAROPE and a RUDDY TURNSTONE were at Christopherson Slough on the 11th.

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